

any specified class of information, allegation, or complaint: *Provided*, That the provisions of this section shall not limit, in any way, the existing authority of the military departments to investigate persons or offenses over which the Armed Forces have jurisdiction under the Uniform Code of Military Justice: *Provided further*, That the provisions of this section shall not limit, in any way, the primary authority of the Postmaster General to investigate postal offenses.

64 Stat. 107.
50 USC 551-741.

SEC. 2. Section 3056 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking out the following: "detect and arrest any person violating any laws of the United States directly concerning official matters administered by and under the direct control of the Treasury Department;"

62 Stat. 818.

Approved August 31, 1954.

Public Law 726

CHAPTER 1144

AN ACT

To modify the Act of October 8, 1940 (54 Stat. 1020) and the Act of July 24, 1947 (61 Stat. 418) with respect to the recoupment of certain public school construction costs in Minnesota.

August 31, 1954
[S. 3108]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, effective on July 1, 1954, the recoupment requirements of the Act of October 8, 1940 (54 Stat. 1020) and the Act of July 24, 1947 (61 Stat. 418), shall become inapplicable to the unrecouped balances of funds expended pursuant to such Acts.

Minnesota.
School costs.

Approved August 31, 1954.

Public Law 727

CHAPTER 1145

AN ACT

To provide emergency credit.

August 31, 1954
[S. 3245]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That until June 30, 1955, the Secretary is authorized to make emergency loans for any agricultural purposes, except for refinancing of existing indebtedness, aggregating not to exceed \$15,000,000 to farmers and stockmen in any area or areas where the Secretary determines that there is a need for such credit which cannot be met for a temporary period from commercial banks, cooperative lending agencies, the Farmers Home Administration under its regular programs or under the Act of April 6, 1949, or other responsible sources.

Agricultural
loans.
Emergency.

SEC. 2. Loans under this Act shall (1) be made only to individuals or partnerships who are actively engaged in the operation of farms or ranches; (2) not exceed \$15,000 in the case of any one loan; (3) not be made to any one borrower so as to increase the total indebtedness of such borrower under this Act to an amount in excess of \$20,000 (including principal and accrued interest); (4) be made at such rates of interest and on such terms and conditions as the Secretary shall prescribe for such area or areas; and (5) be secured by the personal obligation and available security of the producer or producers.

SEC. 3. The Secretary may utilize the revolving fund created by section 84 of the Farm Credit Act of 1933, as amended (12 U. S. C.